



United We Dance

MISSION

Sandy Beach Shag Club is a non-profit social dance club that promotes the Carolina Shag Dance. Our mission is the bringing together people of like minds with the goal to preserve the Carolina Shag Dance and the music to which we dance. We are members of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs.

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Sandkicker

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News

Upcoming Events:

The next Sandy Beach Dance Party is scheduled for **June 13** with DJ Gene Hensley.

Save the date for the 2015 DJ Megafest, the "Dirty Dozen DJs", on Sunday, **September 6** from 3:30–11:00 PM.

Dance Lessons

Lessons started May 28th at 6:30pm with Beginners 1 followed by Beginners 3 at 7:45pm. Each class goes one hour and will have additional dates of June 4th, 11th, and 18th. The cost for all 4 lessons is \$20 per person. No partner is needed for either class! Come join the fun while learning the Carolina Shag!!! For questions call Robin Morley at 828 443 5995.

Honorary Lifetime Member

Congratulations to Sanford Clark, elected by the membership as our 2015 Honorary Lifetime Member.

Dues Update

If you have not paid your dues for 2015-16 Regular Membership, your name will come off our roster June 30th according to the bylaws and you will be moved to our Associate membership list. You will continue to receive our newsletter unless you specify otherwise and receive emails that are sent to Associate members.

Sandy Beach Officers

President	Steve Coley
Vice President	Sanford Clark
Secretary	Susan Duncan
Treasurer	Leah Turner
Members-at-Large:	
	Libby Burns
	Mike Carlisle
Past President	Dorothy Barrier

A Message from President Steve Coley



I hope all of you have had a wonderful time over the Memorial Day holiday. Arlene and I certainly have. Although we need some rain, the weather has been very co-operative for outdoor activities.

On May 21st, we had a board meeting, a general membership meeting, and a brief DJ Megafest meeting. Below are some highlights of the meetings:

- * Mike Carlisle was elected as our second board member at large.

- * The Board made the decision to change our regular party times to 7:30-11:00. For several years parties ended at 11:30.

- * General Membership agreed not to start clean up until the end of each party at 11:00. We don't want to make our members and associate members think we are trying to make them leave by starting clean-up earlier. Of course, you can always clean your table, especially if you are leaving early. I ask that we just do things like this in an orderly fashion.

- * Fun Monday tickets will go on sale very soon. James Bentley is heading up a big part of the sales as well as Ron Spencer and Les Harbinson. I'm asking each Board Member to sell tickets as well. Don't miss out on the chance to win \$7,500 while supporting a good NMB charity "Caring For Kids". Four other tickets between \$250 and \$3,000 will be drawn for a total of 5 chances to win.

- * We're working on an indoor Sunday afternoon "deck" party July 19th and will let you know more as soon as we iron out the details. This is not confirmed, but very probable.

- * I'll be attending the ACSC Summer Workshop the weekend of July 11th hosted by Northern Virginia Shag Club. I'll recap highlights of the meeting in July.

- * Plans are in the works to have a paver purchased and installed at North Myrtle Beach honoring Dorothy Barrier for her services as President of Sandy Beach Shag Club the past two years. Thank you, Dorothy for your leadership and hard work.

- * The SOS float and parade was discussed. We were successful winners this year and have a lot to be proud of including a trophy and prize money. A big thanks to Grier Franklin for pulling the float to OD and Sanford Clark for furnishing gas money! And thanks to all other participants that helped make Spring 2015 a success.

However, comments were made asking if we should consider taking a year off to give Robin Little and other hard working float workers a little time off as well as an opportunity to watch others in the parade? This was not a vote and we did not ask for any decision to be made immediately. We just want everyone to think about what would be best. One idea is a process of every two years participating and then taking off a year might work. This is not an effort to discourage anyone as we've all had a great time during the parade with a lot of high energy!

- * John Carpenter spoke about the DJ Megafest V and several members volunteered to work on various committees. Additional meetings will be required.

If you have not picked up your SBSC car window clinger, do miss out. See John, Robin, or Arlene. These clingers are very easy to remove if you are worried about some of the ones that you have to scrape off later on. All it takes is a finger nail.

Upcoming SBSC events during June include Adopt A Highway June 6th at 9:30, our regular Saturday party on June 13th with DJ Gene Hensley and a Friday Friends Deck Party on June 28th with DJ Mac Mast .

Thanks and I'll see you very soon.

Steve Coley, President

Sandy Beach Shag Club

2015 Sandkicker DJ Megafest Coming Soon!

by John Carpenter

We call our party the Sandkicker DJ Megafest for several reasons. One, we can't call it a DJ Throwdown as the DJ Throwdown has the rights to the name in both North and South Carolina. Our old party under the old club was a two day party called the Sandkicker. In honor of the history of that party, we keep the Sandkicker as part of the name. We have 12 DJs in one day and it a Mega one day party, hence Megafest. What started as a smaller party has blossomed into a larger party, and could be much larger but we don't have the space, nor the desire to move it from the Elks Lodge. Our relationship with the Elks is very important and it is a great venue. Our dance floor is very special.

This year we are going to reveal some new twists to the party. I am not going to divulge all of our secrets, but I can tell you that our main new idea came from another club and it was such a hit at their big party that we are going to borrow it and try to improve on it with our Sandy Beach Shag Club spin.

I am excited to let you know that one club has already called to let us know they are bringing a bus and possibly more than a busload of guests!!

Our Chinese Auction basket idea that we borrowed from Charleston, West Virginia, and put our slant on it, was such a hit and loved by both basket makers and basket winners that we are going to do it again and hopefully it will be even bigger and better than last year, if that is possible.

Our shooter team will again make and distribute their tasty elixirs for everyone and we may have a little tweak of this to make this even more fun!

We do hope that we can encourage more of you to volunteer your time to help us showcase our club and receive yet another nomination from the Carolina Beach Music Awards, and if we could entice more people to join CBMA, win the award for Best Shag Club Party!

I will be contacting you all shortly asking for just a little bit of your time, your generosity and your display of love for our beloved Sandy Beach Shag Club.

Thank you and get ready for the party. It is only a little over 14 weeks away, Sunday September 6.

Regular members will have first choice for registering for this event. As always I am telling you this will sell out and I hope that no members are turned away from the party because they waited too long. So, when I send out the email that you can register (please do not do so now), please act on it. We have cut back the number of seats from what we had two years ago and believe we have just the right number of seats and floor plan.

I look forward to your being with us!



What Does It Take

by Sanford T. Clark



The next SBSC Dance Party is scheduled for Sat June 13th at 7:30-11:00 PM at the Elks Club in Morganton. A lot of effort and hard work goes into the planning and completion of these parties. Do you ever think of what it takes to put a party of this type together? Let us do a review.

First, we have to make arrangements for the dates of the parties with the Elks Club. The June 13th party date was set almost a year ago. All SBSC parties for 2015 are already booked with the Elks Club as well as the parties for 2016. We have to book our party dates well in advance. The Elks Club uses the hall for a lot of different functions, so if we do not get our dates confirmed by them, someone else will have the hall reserved on the dates we want. This answers the questions we sometimes get, when someone asks us, "Why do we have a party at the same time another club has their party?" Chances are the other club is having a party on a date we picked a year or more ago or when we picked our dates we didn't have their schedule.

The next step is to book and confirm the shag DJs that we want. They have to be contacted and hired for each party, again, well in advance if you want be certain we have the DJ we want. They book a year or so ahead.

As the party date arrives a group of SBSC members join in decorating the Elks Club hall for our party. This effort has to be coordinated with the Elks because of other functions they have. Someone purchases the decorations and then everyone spends 2-4 hours in the actual

labor of decorating the hall. Some parties require more decorating than others.

The party date has arrived, but one of the coordinators in SBSC has to request and receive a commitment from about 10 people to work the door on the night of the party. Someone arrives early to make sure the door is open and all is ready for the party. Change for the \$20.00 bills you give us has to be picked up at the local bank and brought to the party. Someone has to be at the door to take the info we need from an associate member and to collect membership dues. And about the information that is at the door! Someone has to maintain the roster of all regular members and associate members and compile the list, print it off, and furnish it to the people working the door. That takes countless hours alone.

SBSC sometimes purchases some type of food from the Elks Club for our parties. Someone has to contact and coordinate this food with the food manager from the Elks. We do not have food at every party because of cost, so we continue to urge each of you to bring some type of food for our party. Someone has to manage all the food and supplies that are either needed during the party or brought in to the party by our members.

At the end of each party a group of members are involved in the clean up, our deal with the Elks requires us to clean up the place after each party. That involves a group of dedicated SBSC members doing that job. Someone also has to be there until the last minute to make sure all is cleaned as required and the place is properly closed down by SBSC.

All in all it takes a lot of time, effort and hard work, and I would guess up to 30 or more SBSC members to put on a party for SBSC and

our guests. In addition to the above there is a lot of behind the scenes effort that goes into our parties.

What part do you play? Are you doing anything to make the parties successful? We can always use some help. Contact any officer, board member, or committee member to volunteer to help.

Also we ask for your input if you have suggestions, comments, and any other constructive advice to offer for the betterment of the club. Thank you for being a SBSC member.

Sanford T. Clark



Sandy Beach Shag Club



Presents



Sandkicker Megafest V

Dirty Dozen DJs

DJs To Be Named

Sunday, 9/6/15

3:30 – 11:00 PM

DJs To Be Named

The Elks Lodge

500 Golf Course Rd

Morganton, NC 28655

**Cash Bar Only. Beer, Mixed Drinks & Wine at
very reasonable prices!**

(For more details contact John Carpenter (803-760-2947))

Your Registration covers:

Music by 12 great DJ's

Free Line Dance Class

Catered Dinner (6:00 PM - 7:30 PM)

Snacks Provided

Free Shooters Times – TBA

Non Smoking Event

Large Dance Floor : 30x40 (1200 Sq. Feet)

Half & Half Drawing and Chinese Silent Auction.



SAVE THE DATE
Final Flyer To Come Soon
With Registration Information

This party was Nominated for a CBMA Award for "Best Shag Club Party" two years in a row.

Community Service

2015 Adopt -A-Highway Cleanup

Highway cleanup is only 6 times a year and a great way to get some exercise. It is not difficult, and all materials are provided.

2015 Adopt-A-Highway Schedule:

Saturday, June 6 -

Alternate will be Saturday, June 13

Saturday, August 1 -

Alternate will be Saturday, August 8

Saturday, October 3 -

Alternate will be Saturday, October 10

Saturday, December 5 -

Alternate will be Saturday, December 12

We meet at 9:30 am in the McDonald's parking lot on Carbon City Rd. (Rt. 70) near the ATM machine. Trash bags, safety vests, gloves, and pickup tools are provided. It usually takes about an hour and a half to complete the cleanup. For additional information, call Jim Noggle, (828) 310-6099

June Birthdays

Dianne Rowe	6/1
Howard Gray	6/3
Rob Harriger	6/6
Martha Cartee	6/6
Pat Hensley	6/8
Terrie Melton	6/8
Steve Baker	6/10
Janice Fox	6/12
James Holder	6/13
Dean Friesland	6/13
Beaver Williams	6/13
Becky Ward	6/16
Sharon Church	6/18
Kenneth McFarland	6/19
Cindy Robinson	6/24
Joyce Sutton	6/25
Gayle Brown	6/25
Wilford Sloan	6/25
Carol Austin	6/30
Carson Swanson	6/30
Steve Valentine	6/30

Dates for 2015 parties

Dates for 2015 parties have been set. DJ's are lined up for fun and all that needs to be added is YOU! Be sure to note these dates and plan accordingly!

June 13 - Gene Hensley

July - No Party Scheduled

August 1 - Jeff Foster

September 6 = Megafest (Sunday,
Labor Day Weekend

October 3 - Frank Price

November 14 - Roger Holcomb

December 12 - Mike Harding

SBSC 2016 Party Schedule:

January 23

February 27

March – no party

April 2 – Mini Megafest

May 14

June 11

July 30

August- no party

September 4 – Labor Day
Sunday Megafest

October 8

November 5

December 10

Area Clubs and Happenings

Check out what is happening around us! Please visit each club's website for more info.

Boone Shag Club

www.booneshagclub.com

June 27th – Boogie to Boone
with Sam West

Moose Lodge #1805, 607 Deerfield Rd.,
Boone, NC. Bring your favorite snacks and
enjoy a variety of music and dancing with us!

Moose Members - \$3.00, Guests - \$5.00

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

www.brushymountainshagclub.com

June 13 - DJ Mike Harding

8:00pm-11:00pm

Holiday Inn Express, 1700 Winkler Ave.,
Wilkesboro, NC

\$5 members and \$7 guests

Lake Hickory Shag Club

lakehickoryshagclub.com

shaggers@lakehickoryshagclub.com

June 13 - with DJ Frank Price

7:30 until 11:30 pm

VFW 1615 12th Street Dr. NW, Hickory

\$5 Members ~ \$7 Guests -Juniors \$3

Rutherfordton County Shag Club:

Rutherfordton, NC

First Friday of each month with DJ
Mike McDaniel

8:00 -11:00 . Free basic shag class at 7.

Rumor Has It - A Wine Bar

211 N. Main St. Rutherfordton, NC

\$0 members and \$5 guests

Statesville Shag Club

<http://statesvilleshag.com>

The Statesville Shag Club dances at the
VFW Post 2031 in Statesville.

June 12th - with DJ Betty Brown

8:00-11:00; FREE to paid members,
\$5 Guests

Shelby Shag Club:

Shelby, NC

335 E. College Ave. Shelby, NC

\$3 members and \$6 guests

Two great websites for Shag Dance Information:

www.shagdance.com,

www.shagtour.com

Find us on Facebook!

Just type Sandy Beach Shag
Club in the search box. We also have
a photo albums page.



The Heart and Soul of Our Club

Participation in your club's committees is a fun way to meet new friends and contribute to the health of our club. Contact these Committee Chairs or president Steve Coley for more information about participating in these events and activities.

Social/Planning:	Arlene Coley, Sanford Clark, James Bentley
Clean-up:	Mike Carlisle
Adopt-A-Highway:	Jim Noggle- Chairman
DJ Committee:	James Bentley, Steve Coley
Membership:	John Carpenter-Chairman, Robin Morley, Shirley Dale, Joyce Kincaid, and Arlene Coley
Door:	Sam/Annette Smith
Food/Hospitality:	Sandie Clark, Jean Lande, Ellen Parsons
Decorations:	Robin Little, Alice Smith
Website:	John Carpenter webmaster
Information/Correspondence:	Susan Duncan, John Carpenter, Robin Morley
Newsletter:	Candace McGuire, John Carpenter
By-Laws:	Wayne Harris
Fun Monday Tickets and SOS Cards:	Robin Morley
Parade/Float:	Robin Little-Chairman
SBSC Sandkicker DJ Megafest	John Carpenter-Chairman

It takes a village. Help us to continue to have one of the best shag clubs anywhere!

Party Information

All Regular Parties are held at the Morganton Elks Lodge
500 Golf Course Road, Morganton, NC

Members \$5, Guests \$8; 7:30pm until 11:30pm

Wonderful Snacks, cash bar, and DJ. All in a smoke free environment. For more details contact: johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com

Members are encouraged to donate a snack. Please bring a serving dish too. Sample items are: peanuts, chips/dip, cookies/brownies, Cheetos, pretzels, pickles/olives, dips, etc. Also, All members are asked to help with the clean-up at the end of the party by clearing your table and putting trash in the correct recycling bins.